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**EXPEDITED PROCEDURE
EXAMINING GROUP 1774
PATENT APPLICATION**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Confirmation No. 1278

James A. DiCARLO et al.

Art Unit: 1774

Application No.: 10/601,657

Examiner: Merrick L. Dixon

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For: **IMPROVED INTERPHASE FOR CERAMIC MATRIX COMPOSITES
REINFORCED BY NON-OXIDE CERAMIC FIBERS**

RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR § 1.116

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November 8, 2006

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated August 8, 2006, please consider the following claim amendments and remarks as set forth below.

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